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In Re Application of:

Jeffrey R. Sampson

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Group Art Unit: 1637

Examiner: Chunduru, S.

Docket No. 10992513-1

For: **Methods and Reagents for Analyzing the Nucleotide Sequence of Nucleic Acids**

RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF NON-COMPLIANT APPEAL BRIEF

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In regard to the outstanding Notice of Non-Compliant Appeal Brief of August 2, 2006,

Applicant submits the following remarks.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required, beyond those which may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to Agilent Technologies, Inc. Deposit Account No. 50-1078.

REMARKS

In the outstanding Notice of Non-Compliant Appeal Brief of August 2, 2006, it is alleged that Applicant's Appeal Brief filed on January 23, 2006 is defective for failing to contain a concise explanation of the subject matter defined in each of the independent claims involved in the appeal, referring to the specification by page and line number and to the drawings, if any, by reference characters (37 CFR 41.37 (c)(1)(v)). In this regard, Applicant submits herewith a Revised (Corrected Version) Appeal Brief.

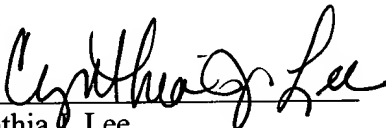
CONCLUSION

Applicant respectfully requests that the Patent Office accept and consider the Appeal Brief submitted herewith. If the Examiner has any questions or comments regarding this paper, the Examiner is encouraged to telephone Applicant's undersigned counsel.

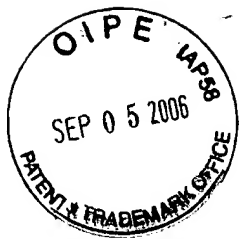
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